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WLC / MLC Winter Retreat



Last Friday, 40 MLC students got on a bus and headed for the Lions Camp in Stevens Point, Wisconsin, for a weekend retreat with 40 students from Wisconsin Lutheran College. They stayed in cabins, participated in amazing Bible studies on the topic of “selfless service,” and had plenty of free time to get to know each other.

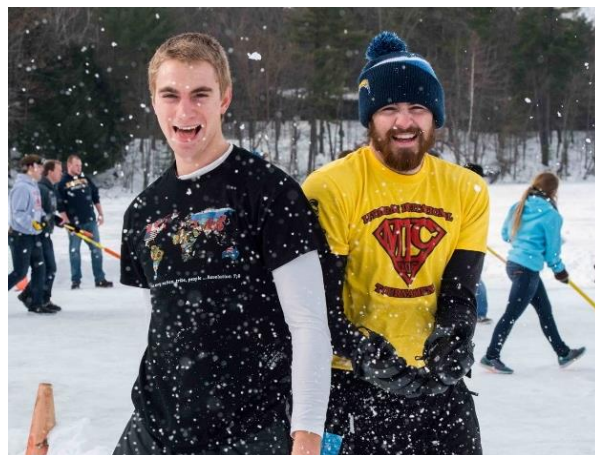
“I really enjoyed getting to know some of my fellow brothers and sisters in Christ from WLC, and growing closer to those from MLC,” said **Aimee Ashman** (FVL / Immanuel-Greenville WI). “It was an awesome opportunity to not only dig deeper into God’s Word, but also to build friendships.”

Pictured: Kaitlyn Solofra (ALA / Crosswalk-Laveen AZ), Savannah Kubis (WLC), and Bethany Lisowski (Luther HS / St. Matthew-Winona WI) on the sledding hill.

“It was an amazing trip, both socially and spiritually,” said **Billy Chojnacki** (California LHS / Crown of Life-Corona CA). “There was so much to do and so many opportunities to spend time together.”

During their free time, students went sledding, played broomball on the pond, made Valentine’s Day cards, played board and card games, and enjoyed conversation. Many remarked that it was a unique opportunity to meet others with the same faith and the same desire to serve—each in their own ways.

Pictured: Elijah Kroll (Lincoln HS / St. John-Lake City MN) and Colin Bahmer (Golden Valley HS / St. Stephen-Fallbrook CA) playing broomball on the pond.



As one of the only events where both schools come together, it’s much anticipated, and returning retreat-goers reconnected with people they’d met years before and created entirely new, lasting friendships as well. Not only is it a chance to come together as Christians, but to grow in faith together. The schools are working on building the bond between them, and there will hopefully be more events like this in the future.

“I can’t say I knew the names of everyone on the trip before we left, but I did when we got back,” said **Ryan Gurgel** (KML / Calvary-Thiensville WI). “The only thing I’d change about the trip would be more time. We’d leave the Mess Hall at 6 in the morning because we never wanted the fun nights to end.”

Pictured: Heidi Nielsen (West / King of Grace-Golden Valley MN), Lydia Thiesfeldt (WLA / Redeemer-Fond du Lac WI), and Troy Moench (WLC) at Bible study.